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MANUFACTURE METHOD THEREOF AND

POWER TRANSMISSION ASSEMBLY

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LETTER

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Sir:

Applicants herewith submit a copy of a Notification of Reasons for Refusal mailed on January 19, 2010 for a corresponding Japanese Patent Application.

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